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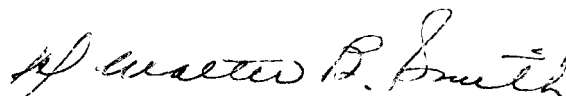
Mr. H. Christian Sonne  
National Planning Association  
800 Twenty-first Street N. W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Sonne:

Many thanks for your cordial invitation to the Awards Dinner of the NPA Annual Joint Meeting on Monday, December third.

I sincerely regret that I must decline because of a previous commitment but do want you to know how very much I appreciate your invitation.

Sincerely,



Walter B. Smith  
Director

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